

Control

selection means for comparing the received voices from said plurality of transmission apparatuses and selecting the transmission apparatus to be controlled; and obtaining means for obtaining a control right to the selected transmission apparatus. --

REMARKS

Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the patentability of the pending claims. By this amendment, applicant has added new claim 77 that recites (1) the display control for the images transmitted from the plural transmission terminals is performed on the basis of the received voice information, and (2) the control information is transmitted to any of the plural transmission terminals on the basis of the received voice information. None of the references cited in the parent case disclose at least these features (1) and (2).

To advance prosecution of this case, the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned and to hold an Examiner interview in advance of the issuance of an office action.

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing amendment and remarks, reconsideration and allowance are respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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